

# ***NATIONAL GUARD TEEN ADVENTURE TRAINING NEWSLETTER***

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National Guard Teens  
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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual California National Guard Adventure Camp: June 21-27 2004**

### **Director/Senior Advisor:**

The Second Annual California National Guard Teen Adventure Camp is set for **June 21-27, 2004** at Camp San Luis Obispo. This year the Camp starts on Monday and ends on Sunday. Our goal this year is to have 200 NGTs attend the camp and the formation of regional companies/support groups.

Attached you will find the application. Please return the application to:

**California Army National Guard  
HQ, 40<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division (Mech.)  
Joint Forces Training Base  
ATTN: COL J. Harrel and SGT C.  
Mesta  
4480 Yorktown Ave.  
Los Alamitos, CA 90720-5001**

Make sure you print or type the documents neatly. Please check with your parent, guardian or sponsor to

ensure you have their correct Unit identification.

**Cost:** The cost of the week camp has not been finalized. Like last year, the cost will be less than \$150.00. **Do not let the cost discourage you from submitting an application.** As you recall, last year the estimate was \$150.00, however, due to a donation by the Gold Rush 2002 Foundation, the cost of the Camp was reduced to \$35.00.

**Please do not send any money with the application.** The money needed for the camp will be collected on registration day: Monday June 21, 2004.

Based upon the tentative training schedule, there will be two off camp events: San Luis Obispo's Farmer Market and a Beach Trip. Since the Teens will be eating dinner in the **Dining** Facility, the Teens will only need "limited spending money."

**Teen Leader and Adult Advisor Training:** Thirty Teen Leaders, selected by the Adult Advisors from last years NGTs, attended a leaders training weekend at Joint Forces Training Base, Los Alamitos California on January 24-

25, 2004. A second leaders training weekend will take place at Camp San Luis Obispo either June 12-13 or 19-20, 2004. These youth leaders will be your leaders during this year's camp, but will also be the found cadre for regional National Guard Teen Companies

Finally, the Teen Leaders will become the driving force for the regional support groups after the Adventure Camp currently forming in Sacramento, greater Los Angeles and Fresno areas.

## Adult Advisors Needed

Adult Volunteer Advisors are mentors and coaches. They assist teen leaders perform their duties and make sure tasks are being performed safely. Military Adult Advisors will also help with the teaching marksmanship, land navigation, first aide and other military skills.

**Currently, we need additional Adult Volunteer Advisors.**

Adult Volunteer Advisors (AVA) is just that. AVAs sleep in the same barracks as the teens; eat in the mess hall with the teens; pay for their own expenses, and travel with the teens to training and event sites. As an AVA you can expect to walk 3-4 miles a day. AGR soldiers are on permissive TDY, if their commander can release them.

**What to Bring:** A packing list will be included in the next news letter. However, there are three things you should start procuring now.

First and most important, a

**GOOD PAIR OF BOOTS**

that offer ankle support. The boots need to be broken in not worn out. Your military parent or sponsor knows the type of foot wear needed. If you do not currently have a pair of good boots, get them now and start wearing them.

**Tennis shoes etc., are not a substitute.**  
**This year the rule is simple, you will report wearing your boots! No boots, no camp.**

Second, you will need a **sleeping bag**. While you will be sleeping in barracks linen and blankets will not be available.

Third, **two quart (liter) canteen or camel pack.**

## Training Schedule

The draft training schedule is as follows

21 June 2004 (M)  
AM Registration  
PM Swimming Pool  
Dinner Fort Marian

22 June 2004 (T)  
AM: Obstacle and Ropes Course (Questa College)  
PM: Obstacle and Ropes Course (Questa College)

23 June 2004 (W)  
AM: Compass Course/First Aide  
PM Beach

24 June 2004 (TH)  
AM MATES  
PM MATES  
Farmers Market 18-2100  
-Angel Gate Bus 0700

25 June 2004 (F)  
AM Paint Ball (CSTI.)  
PM Paint Ball (CSTI)  
Dinner: Mess Hall

26 June 2004 (S)  
AM Rifle  
Range/Compass Course  
PM Rifle Range/Compass  
Course  
Dinner: Fort Marian.  
27 June 2004 (SU)  
AM Barracks Field Day  
PM Pick Up  
to OTAG

Our goal for this year is 200 NGT's.

COL John S. Harrel  
Director/Senior Advisor

**Deputy Senior Advisor:**

COL Linda C. Harrel  
Deputy Senior Advisor